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## PATENT APPLICATION

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q67454

Kazumasa KOKURA

Appln. No.: 09/993,511

Group Art Unit: 3661

Confirmation No.: 8138

Examiner: Jacques H. LOUIS-JACQUES

Filed: November 27, 2001

For:

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## STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Please review and enter the following remarks summarizing the interviews conducted on December 21, 2004 between Examiner Jacques H. Louis-Jacques and Kevin M. Barner and the interview on January 24, 2005 between Examiner Jacques H. Louis-Jacques and Ellen R. Smith:

## **REMARKS**

An Examiner's Interview Summary Record (PTO-413) was received by Applicant's representatives for the interview conducted on December 21, 2004.

During the December 21, 2004 interview, the following was discussed:

1. Brief description of exhibits or demonstration: None

2. Identification of claims discussed: 1-4 and 12-14

3. Identification of art discussed: Hirooka

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4. Identification of principal proposed amendments: Amend claim 1 to recite that a

center of turn is specifically identified to be at or within a predetermined distance from one or

more of the distal ends of the fork arms.

5. Brief Identification of principal arguments: Hirooka fails to disclose a forklift with a

turning mode that enables the forklift operator to specify a center of turn located a the distal end

of either of the fork arms or at a location determined by the location of the distal ends of the fork

arms.

6. Indication of other pertinent matters discussed: None

7. Results of Interview: None

During the January 21, 2005 interview the following was discussed:

1. Brief description of exhibits or demonstration: None

2. Identification of claims discussed: None

3. Identification of art discussed: None

4. Identification of principal proposed amendments: None.

5. Brief Identification of principal arguments: None.

6. Indication of other pertinent matters discussed: Applicant's representative contacted

Examiner to confirm that § 116 Amendment was received and inquired as to when the

Amendment would be considered.

7. Results of Interview: Examiner indicated he will review and consider Amendemtn in

the near future.

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It is respectfully submitted that the instant STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW complies with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§1.2 and 1.133 and MPEP §713.04.

It is believed that no petition or fee is required. However, if the USPTO deems otherwise, Applicant hereby petitions for any extension of time which may be required to maintain the pendency of this case, and any required fee, except for the Issue Fee, for such extension is to be charged to Deposit Account No. 19-4880.

Respectfully submitted,

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